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My dear Luina,

One more word I will say, that I forgot in my letter of yesterday. At our last annual meeting a resolution was passed unanimously to constitute yourself with two other English Ladies, honorary members of the Boston Female A. S. Society.

I know not whether you have received any letter respecting this. — I felt no heart to look into the matter, & so disgusted was I with the proceedings of ^{the board of} that meeting in other respects, that it gave me no pleasure to think of my own membership — yours or any ones. But I trust we shall soon recover any ground which the recent conduct of our recreant members may have lost us. We rejoice to have been careful to preserve the credit of the Society, by discommunioning, in all we did publicly between the Society & its unfaithful servants. Now that we are again in

a position from which we need not
shame to ask the sympathy & co-operation
& correspondence of the Friends of our former
course, - the uncompromising friends of the
Slave, - May I entreat the favour of a
letter from you to our Society. Mrs Southwick
in whose house Mr Thompson was, to the last
moment of his stay here, is the president
Miss Sargent, whom he will also recollect, - (both
most excellent & devoted & liberal benefactors
of the cause) is the Secretary. I feel confidence
in asking this favour, because, now that this battle
is fought & won, there is no need that I see of
your alluaining to it. Tell us to labour as we
begin, - tell us what we can do for B. F. through
you - & it will encourage our hearts & strengthen
our hands.

With grateful & affectionate regards
I am ever yours for every aspect of
our Cause the world over;

Maria W. Chapman.

The enclosed two letters to Montgomery
& William & Mary Bowitt you will perhaps
be able so to put in train or second in some way, so
as to afford us that hoped for favourable response to them,
which without your aid, or that of some one who knows
them, we could not anticipate.

April 22.

I am writing the foregoing, I have learned
that two men who will probably be in London at the
Congress, Phelps & Colver (the former Mr Thompson knows)
were the advisers of those women in pronouncing our Society
having met with a few of these minded women, & given them instructions, previous to our
dissolution, & they happen to get opportunity to do mischief for
they will do so. With all fidelity I warn you of them.

A.M.L.

Multiple Meeting.

